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Jennifer-

I have attached a copy of the correspondence mailed out on 6/15/09 for your review. I apologize for the missing copy.

Please understand that time is of the essence on this matter and that anything that can be done to expedite the review would be greatly appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Jeff Christianson (Wilson Engineering) with any questions or comments.

Thank you.

Bob Hayden  
Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Project Manager



## UPPER SKAGIT INDIAN TRIBE

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June 15, 2009

Ms. Jennifer Parker  
Grown Water Unit  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10  
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, OCE-082  
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: Upper Skagit Indian Tribe's Response to EPA's February 4<sup>th</sup> Comment Letter

Dear Ms. Parker,

I write on behalf of the Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, a federally recognized Indian Tribe, as a follow up to our government to government meeting regarding the Tribe's proposed reclamation facility. During the course of our meeting there were a number of technical issues that arose and that our consultant Wilson Survey/Engineering will address in their response attached hereto and made a part hereof. The purpose of this letter is to confirm that the Upper Skagit Indian Tribe agrees with the Agency that an exception to the permit requirement through rule making is appropriate for this project. As you know the proposed facility will be operated by the Tribe and as such is substantially distinguishable from a private operator. The Tribe appreciates the Agency's recognition of the Tribe's sovereignty and its willingness to proceed with the rulemaking process. As you know time is of the essence and as such if there is anything that I can do to expedite the process please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (360) 854-7016.

Best Regards,

David Hawkins  
Tribal Attorney